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AMENDMENT

This Amendment is responsive to the Official Action mailed July 17, 2002 (Paper No. 7), the date of response to which has been extended one month up to and including November 17, 2002, in view of the attached one-month extension of time petition and petition fee.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please add newly written claims 37 and 38 as follows.

-- 37. (New) An apparatus for acquiring and reading optical codes, comprising:
means for acquiring the optical code through illumination of the code, detection of the light diffused by the code, and its transformation into an electric signal, having at least one acquisition light source,
means for reading the acquired optical code through processing of the electric signal and its interpretation or decoding, and